



# THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

May 10, 2026

## *The Father Answers Our Prayers Because of Jesus*

"Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you" (John 16:23). To pray in Jesus' name is to pray as one who has been baptized. For it is in the water that He put His name upon you, claiming you as His own, making you a son of God with access to the Father. By His incarnation and crucifixion, our Lord Jesus broke through the barrier of sin which separated us from God, opening a portal to the Father. To pray in Jesus' name is to pray with faith in Him as the one Mediator between God and men, who gave Himself a ransom for all (1 Tim. 2:1-6). Like Moses in the wilderness, Jesus is our go-between and intercessor before the throne of heaven. He was lifted up for us on the cross that we might be saved and restored to fellowship with the Father (Num. 21:4-9). Looking into this perfect teaching of liberty (James 1:22-27) we pray with boldness and confidence as dear children of God.

**Welcome to our guests and members!** Let us rejoice together in the presence of our gracious Lord! If you are new to Holy Cross, or just visiting, please be sure to sign our guest book and fill out an attendance card found in your pew. We hope you will join with us in worship again.

**Cell Phones & Devices** - Please remember to silence these during today's service. Thank you!

**Cry Room Available** - If you exit the rear of the sanctuary into the narthex, the room is on the right. Please feel free to rejoin the service at any time.

**Fruits of God's Love:** Sunday, May 3: 72; Bible Study:26; Sunday School: 6

**Please fill out an attendance card** and place it in the offering plate as it is passed.

**Altar Flowers this week** are given by Evelyn McConnell in memory of her husband Phil, on their 66th wedding anniversary.

**Stewardship Thoughts**—James 1:22 – “But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.” The Word of God is not merely to be heard, but to be received and believed. Our faith is implanted and strengthened by the Word of God. As Luther said, “Oh, it is a living, busy, active, mighty thing, this faith. And so it is impossible for it not to do good works incessantly.” James' epistle encourages us to examine our lives and come to repentance when we are not living out our faith in sincerity.

**Life Thoughts from Lutherans For Life**— Paul encourages Timothy, “Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus” (2 Timothy 2:3). Sharing in the suffering of Christ sometimes comes when we share Christ and apply His Word of Life to spiritual issues that are also controversial. But faithfulness to the truth means to “endure everything for the sake of the elect” (2:10). *Faithful Lord, permit me to share You in the sufferings of my neighbors as You share in all my own. Amen.*

**Swaddling Clothes** - Our next Center Opening is Saturday, June 13 (10:00am - 1:00pm). PLEASE sign up on the SC bulletin board by Sunday, June 7th if you are available to help. Signing up allows us to know how many volunteers are available to help on Saturday, June 13. We are still in need one man to help with setup from 7:00 am - 8:00 am on the 2nd Saturday of the month. I would also like to try an evening sorting time (where we sort all of our donated items). If you have any questions or would like to help please see Shara (816) 654-2294. Thank you!



**75th Anniversary Meal RSVP** - Wabash BBQ will be catering the meal for the 75th Anniversary of Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Sunday, May 17th, following the 10:00 am Divine Service. If you plan to attend the meal, please sign up on the RSVP list on the cabinet in the Narthex or you can contact the church office.

**Theology on Tap** - The North KC Circuit again invites all to Theology on Tap - Monthly Theological Discussion led by circuit pastors. Before heading out for summer vacation join us for one last round us at the Cinderblock Brewery: 110 E. 18th St. North Kansas City, MO. at about 6:30pm on Thursday, May 28. This month, Rev. Dr. Craig Meissner (Holy Cross Lutheran, KC) leads on "Telling the Truth and Lying." Yes, liars welcome, too!

**Baby Bottle Drive for Resource Health** - May 10 (Mother's Day) through June 21 (Father's Day), we will be participating in the Baby Bottle drive for Resource Health. Resource Health is a pregnancy center on Vivion Rd. They advocate for parents that are facing unplanned pregnancies to keep their babies and offer support and resources to help them with their decision as they go through their pregnancy. Starting today, baby bottles can be found on the table in the Narthex. Pick up a baby bottle, fill it with change, bills or check and return it to church. Thank you to all who participate!

**Ladies' Night Out** will not have an outing in May. We will plan an outing for June. Please watch the info notes for more information.

**There will be NO Adult Bible Study or Sunday school** next week, due to all of the necessary preparations for the 75th Anniversary celebration. Coffee will still be available on Sunday morning (location to be determined!) Today will be the last session of Sunday school for the school year. Classes will start back up again after Labor Day.

# On the Calendar

<b>Sunday, May 10:</b>	Corporate Confession & Absolution.....	8:00 A.M.
	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School.....	8:30 A.M.
	<b>Divine Service</b> .....	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>
<b>Monday, May 11:</b>	Matins.....	7:30 A.M.
	ECC Chapel.....	9:15 A.M.
	Board of Church Properties Meeting.....	5:30 P.M.
<b>Tuesday, May 12:</b>	Men's Bible Breakfast.....	7:00 A.M.
	Matins.....	8:00 A.M.
	Chancel Guild Meeting.....	10:30 A.M.
<b>Wednesday, May 13:</b>	Matins.....	7:30 A.M.
	Bible Class.....	9:00 A.M.
<b>Thursday, May 14:</b> <i>Ascension Day</i>	Matins.....	7:30 A.M.
	ECC Chapel.....	9:15 A.M.
	<b>Divine Service</b> .....	<b>7:00 P.M.</b>
<b>Saturday, May 16:</b>	Matins.....	8:30 A.M.
	Handbell Choir Rehearsal.....	9:00 A.M.
	Choir Rehearsal.....	10:00 A.M.
<b>Sunday, May 17:</b> <i>75th Anniversary</i>	Corporate Confession & Absolution.....	8:00 A.M.
	NO Adult Bible Class/Sunday School	
	<b>Divine Service</b> .....	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>
	Banquet & Program.....	12:30 P.M.

**Choir Notes...** The Holy Cross Adult Choir is actively seeking singers. We need to expand our Soprano/Alto section but will gladly welcome anyone who wants to sing. Not sure if you want to commit... why not try Choir for a week or two. We have plenty of room in the Choir Loft; practices are on Sat morning at 10:00 am. Hope we see you in the Loft soon. Please contact Myla Miller at 816-399-9291 if you are interested.

**GIVING MADE EASY**— You may now make a one-time donation or set up recurring contributions through our website's *eGiving* donation page. The eGiving option is secure, fast, and easy to use. You can donate by visiting [www.holycrosskc.org](http://www.holycrosskc.org) and selecting "eGiving" or by simply scanning this QR code, which takes you directly to our eGiving page. Please contact the church office at 816-452-9113 if you have any questions.



**As we pause to honor mothers today,** let us pray protection and guidance for all mothers. The Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty thanks God for mothers. See [www.LCRLFreedom.org](http://www.LCRLFreedom.org) for more information.

**PREMIER CONFERENCE FOR LUTHERAN LAITY...** You're invited to attend the 2026 Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference, Friday, June 12 and Saturday, June 13, at Concordia University Chicago. Speakers include: Mollie Hemingway of The Federalist, LCMS President Matt Harrison, Megan Basham of The Daily Wire, Pastor Will Weedon of The Word of the Lord Endures Forever, Erin Hawley of Alliance Defending Freedom and YouTuber Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller. Registration is \$160 and includes three meals. Reduced room rates, including on-campus dorms, are available. For more information, visit [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org) or call (618) 223-8385.

**Where do we get pastors who preach and care for us with God's Word?** Where do we get teachers who teach our children about Jesus in our Lutheran schools? Where do we get our directors of Christian education, deaconesses and directors of parish music? *Set Apart to Serve (SAS)* is partnering with our seminaries, Concordia universities, districts, congregations and many others to build a Synodwide culture of church work formation and recruitment. You can contribute toward this effort **by taking this brief online survey** at [lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey](http://lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey). Please let us know how all of us can make *SAS* more beneficial to your congregation. It is important we hear what you have to say.

**Your Support Helps Spread the Gospel in Russia and Surrounding Countries** - With your help, the Siberian Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Novosibirsk, Siberia, are succeeding in carrying God's Word and Sacrament to people in Russia and those in nearby countries. Even as crisis between Russia and Ukraine persists, the Siberian Church continues its ministry to people in places where Christian thinking and practice have been suppressed for many years. You can help by supporting the work of the **Siberian Lutheran Mission Society, 8811 St. Joe Road, Fort Wayne, Indiana, 46835**. Your support helps not just for today, but it also has sustaining value for years to come.

**The Paul Preisinger Scholarship Fund for Pastoral Candidates** is now accepting application for the 2026-2027 School Year. This scholarship was started in memory of the late Rev. Paul Preisinger. This is intended to encourage men to become Pastors in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod by providing financial assistance for their education. The focus is on the Kansas City South, Central and North Circuit. This includes students at the Seminary and also those attending one of the Concordia Colleges as they prepare for the ministry. All applications need to be postmarked no later than May 31, 2026. Please contact Barb Ewert for questions and applications at [Berwertrn@yahoo.com](mailto:Berwertrn@yahoo.com).